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**MINUTES
ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET
MEETING
MAY 13, 2008**

Electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings were hereby notified that the Annual Town Budget Meeting of the Town of Ellington would be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m. prevailing time at the Ellington High School, 37 Maple Street, for the following purposes:

1. To consider, and if deemed advisable, to adopt, pursuant to CGS Sec. 13a-99, a plan for repair of town roads and bridges for a period not exceeding five (5) years as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.
2. To accept, as recommended by the Boards of Education, Selectmen and Finance, prepaid grants and funds fully reimbursable for the Fiscal Year commencing on July 1, 2008 and ending on June 30, 2009, and to appropriate the same to the Board of Education in a sum not to exceed \$760,300.
3. To determine whether municipal tax shall be paid in two (2) installments for real estate and personal property in excess of six hundred dollars (\$600) and motor vehicle tax shall be paid in one (1) installment with designated due dates as stated in the Connecticut State Statutes Sections 12-142, 12-144, 12-144a and Public Act 77-343, Section 2, and to waive any property tax due in an amount less than five dollars (\$5) as stated in the Connecticut State Statutes Section 12-144c.
4. To consider and appropriate as recommended and as allocated by the Board of Finance, the total sum for all expenditures, a/k/a budget grand total, for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 the sum of \$44,356,515.

First Selectman **Michael P. Stupinski** called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and asked for nominations for a moderator.

MOVED Michael Swanson SECOND James Prichard to nominate Attorney Atherton B."Joe" Ryan as moderator. All in favor. Motion carried.

The moderator then read the warning for the meeting which was published and posted and is incorporated into these minutes.

Each item will be considered separately and voted on separately.

Item #1. (5 year road repair) MOVED: James Prichard, SECOND: Ann Harford. Motion carried.

Item#2. (Pre-paid Board of Education grants) MOVED: Maurice Blanchette, SECOND: Dale Roberson. Motion carried.

Item#3. (Municipal tax installments) MOVED: Barry Pinto, SECOND: Michael Stupinski. Motion carried.

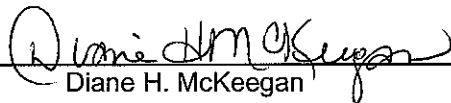
Item#4. (Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Town Budget) MOVED: Michael Stupinski, SECOND: James Prichard.

The moderator asked for discussion on item #4 and several residents came forward at this time with questions and comments regarding capital improvements, bonding issues, increase in the overall budget, open space and tax reductions for senior citizens.

Hearing no further discussion, the moderator called for a voice vote on item #4. The chair was in doubt of the vote. He then called for a standing vote. The vote count was taken by appointed counters. Aye: 283. Nay: 37. Motion carried. Budget passes.

MOVED: Peter Charter to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. SECOND: Michael Stupinski. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:


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Dated at Ellington, Connecticut, this 29th day of April, 2008.

BY ORDER OF THE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael P. Stupinski
First Selectman

The five-year road and bridge plan, Board of Education prepaid grants, and 2008-2009 proposed town budget are on file in the Town Clerk's office for your review.